

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the
public airwaves free
of charge, and is
obligated by law to
serve the public
interest. It is
contrary to the
public interest for
Sinclair management
to be able force its
local outlets to
promote a particular
political agenda.
In this case I
believe that
Sinclair's bottom
line will be
directly affected by
the outcome of the
current election,
and that for this
reason Sinclair is
forcing their local
outlets to
participate in a
kind of modern-day
yellow journalism.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. Thank
you.